
Demonstration of Rich Reagent Injection in Ameren's Sioux Unit 1



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Discussion Outline

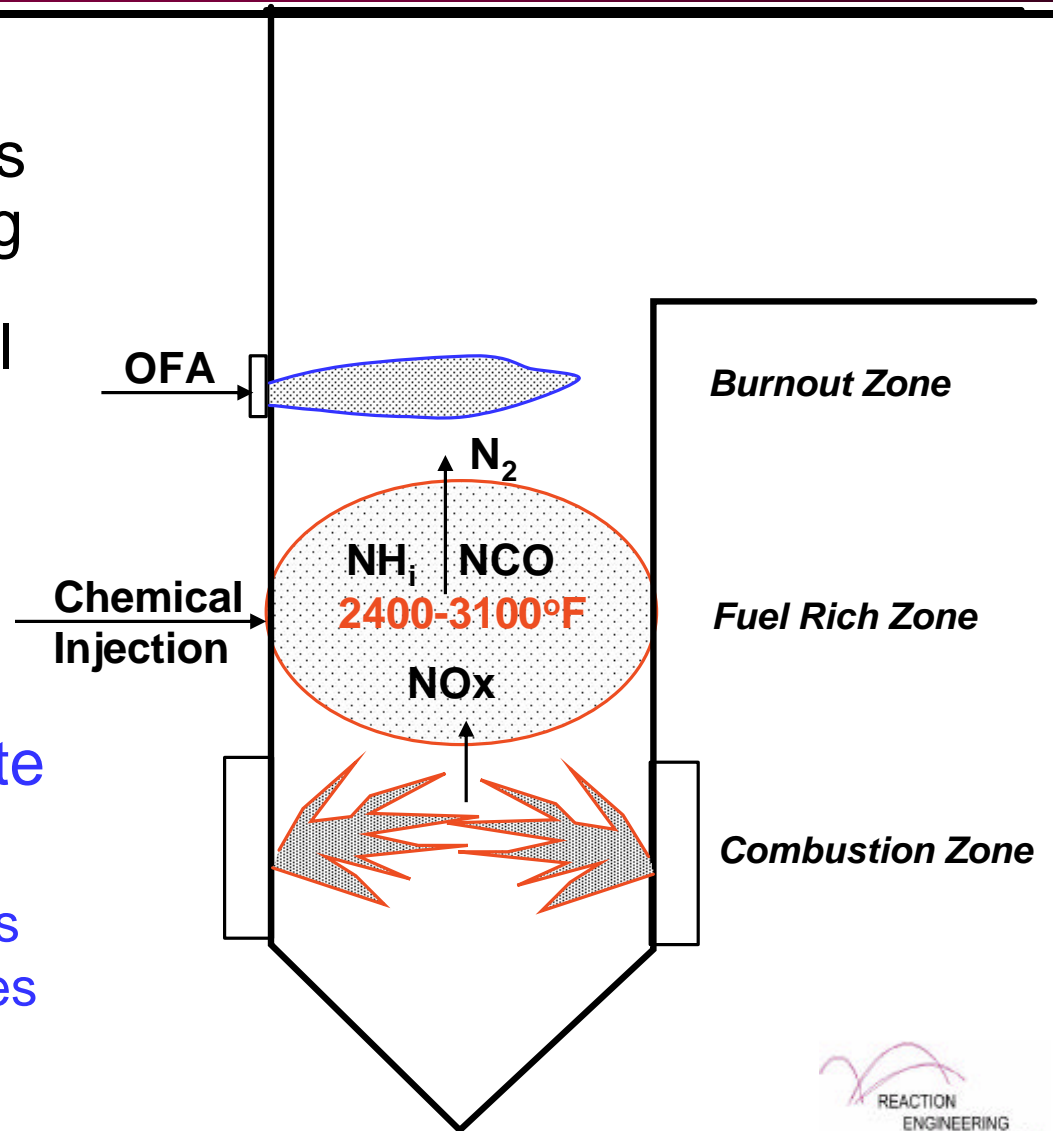
- What is Rich Reagent Injection (RRI)?
- Pre-Demonstration Results
- Demonstration Host Sites
- Model Based RRI Design – Sioux Unit 1
- Sioux Unit 1 Field Test Summary
- Summary

Rich Reagent Injection (RRI)

- Process
 - » Injection of amine reagents into hot, fuel rich, NO_x containing flue gases
- Performance
 - » Measured NO_x reductions up to 90% in pilot scale furnace
 - » Mixing limitations limit performance in full scale boilers
 - » No NH₃ slip
- Key Parameters
 - » Temperature, local stoichiometry, NSR, residence time
- Commercial Status
 - » 2nd full scale demonstration complete
 - » Technology has been sublicensed to two system suppliers

RRI in Cyclone Fired Furnaces

- Significant NO_x reductions achievable with air staging
- Staging creates a hot, fuel rich lower furnace
 - » In-situ reburning
 - » Increased NO_x reduction with reduced SR and increased residence time
- Amine reagents accelerate the rate of NO_x reduction
 - » NO_x reduction in rich zones
 - » NO_x formation in lean zones



Pre-Demonstration Evaluations

- Detailed chemical kinetic modeling (CKM)
- Bench and Pilot scale testing
- CFD model development
- CFD analysis in full-scale cyclone-fired boilers

*High Probability for
Successful Full Scale
Demonstrations*

Demonstration Sites

- Small Unit
 - » Conectiv's B.L. England Unit 1
 - » 130 MW, 3 cyclone barrels, front wall fired, OFA
 - » Existing 3-zone SNCR hardware
 - » 8 RRI ports/injectors installed for testing
 - » Results reported last year
- Large Unit
 - » AmerenUE's Sioux Unit 1
 - » 500 MW, 10 cyclone barrels, opposed wall fired
 - » OFA installed mid 2001

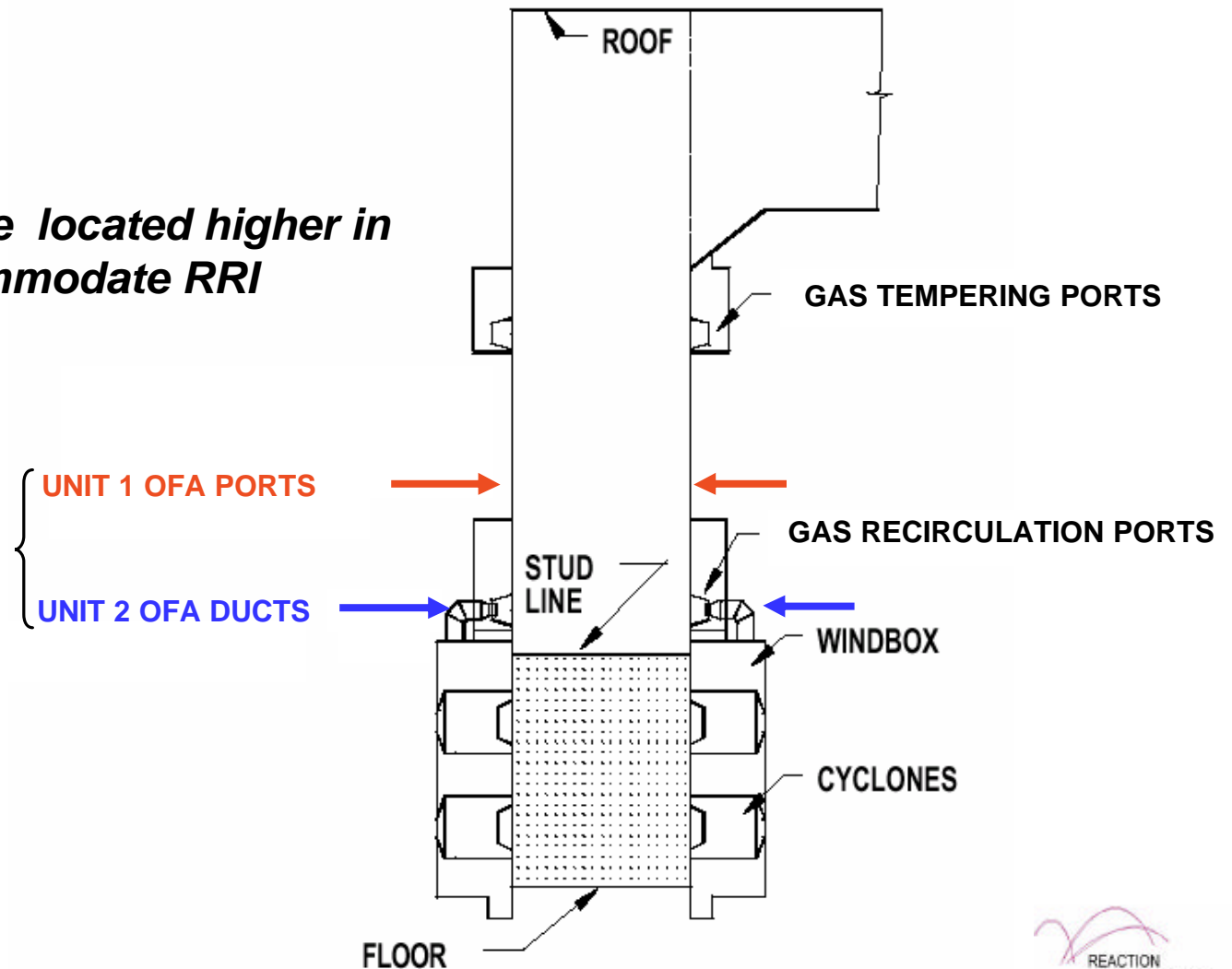
AmerenUE's Sioux Plant

- Two Units – Nominal Rating of 500 MW each
- Supercritical
- 10 cyclone barrels, 5 each on front & rear walls
- Common Windbox
- 85% to 50% PRB blend with Illinois bituminous, petcoke, and TDF
- First application of OFA in cyclone unit was in Unit 2



Sioux Boiler Section

OFA Ports were located higher in Unit 1 to accommodate RRI



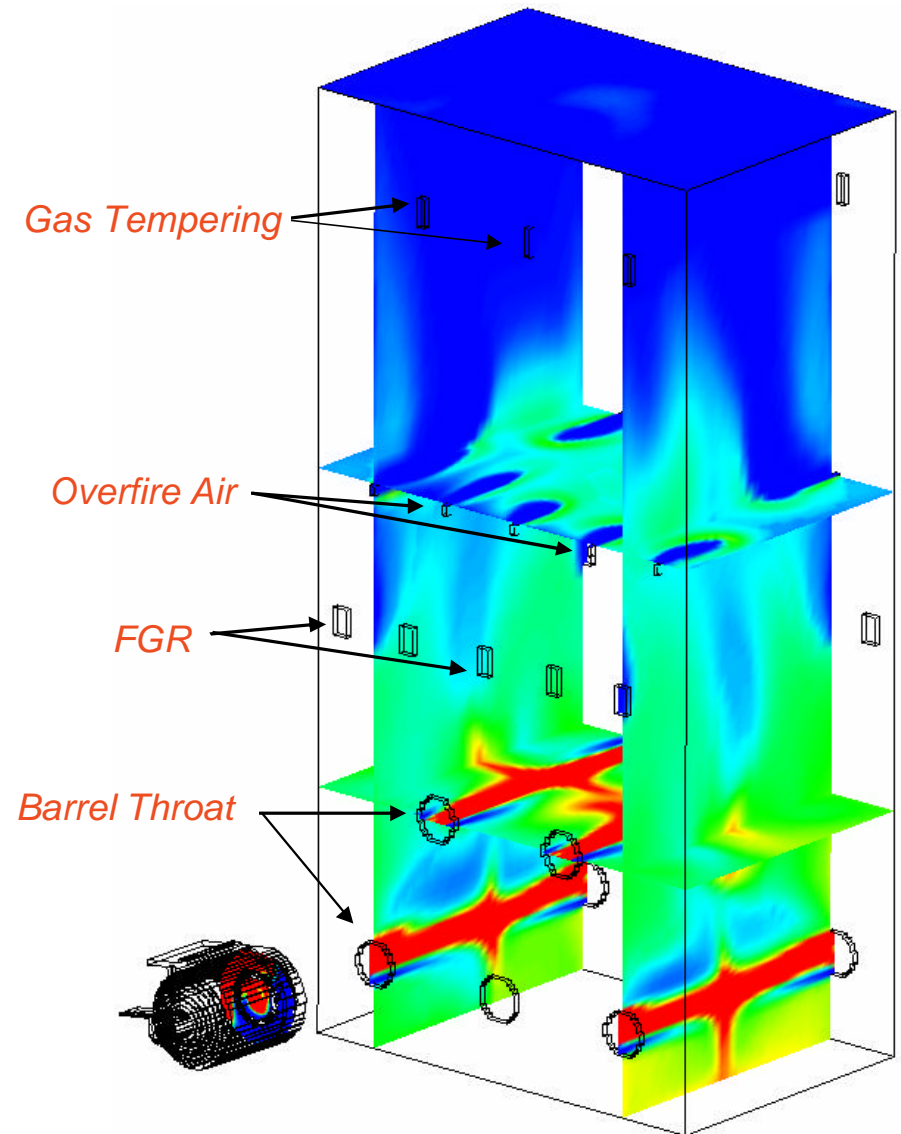
RRI Injection Design

Sioux Unit 1

- Utilize CFD modeling to evaluate impacts of:
 - » Nozzle locations
 - » Injector parameters
 - » Boiler operation (e.g. stoichiometry, FGR operation)
- Account for existing structural and equipment interferences with proposed injector locations
 - » Windbox and FGR penetrations
 - » Hot gases, running slag
- Keep project costs low

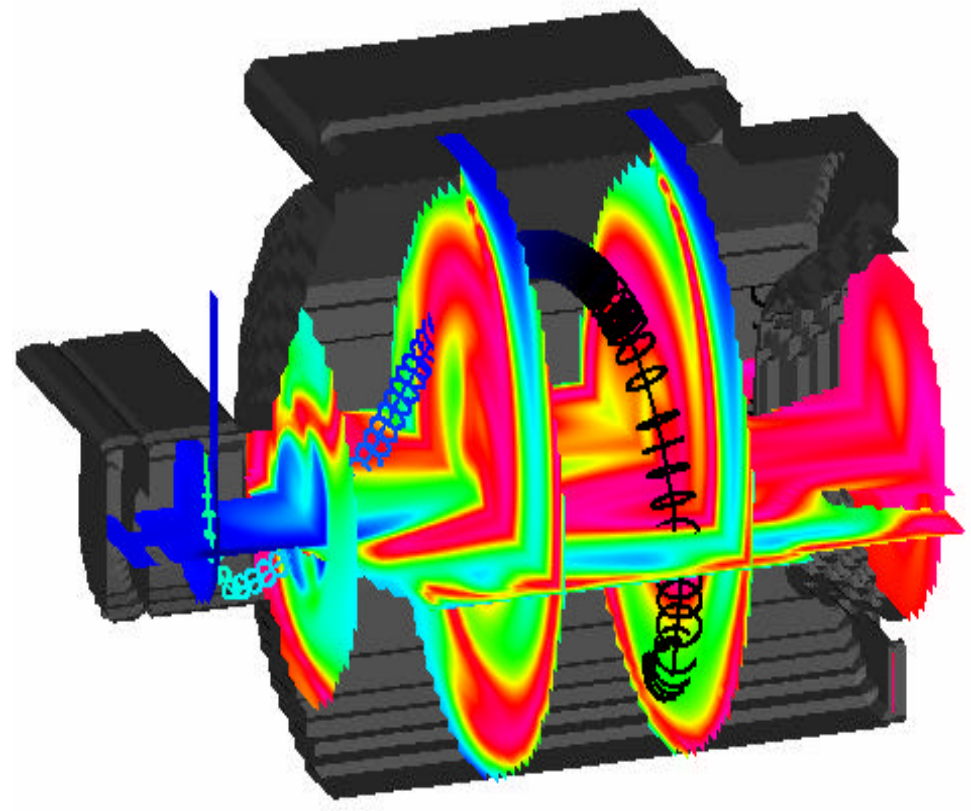
CFD Model Approach

- Cyclone Barrel
- Lower Furnace OFA
- Lower Furnace OFA + RRI



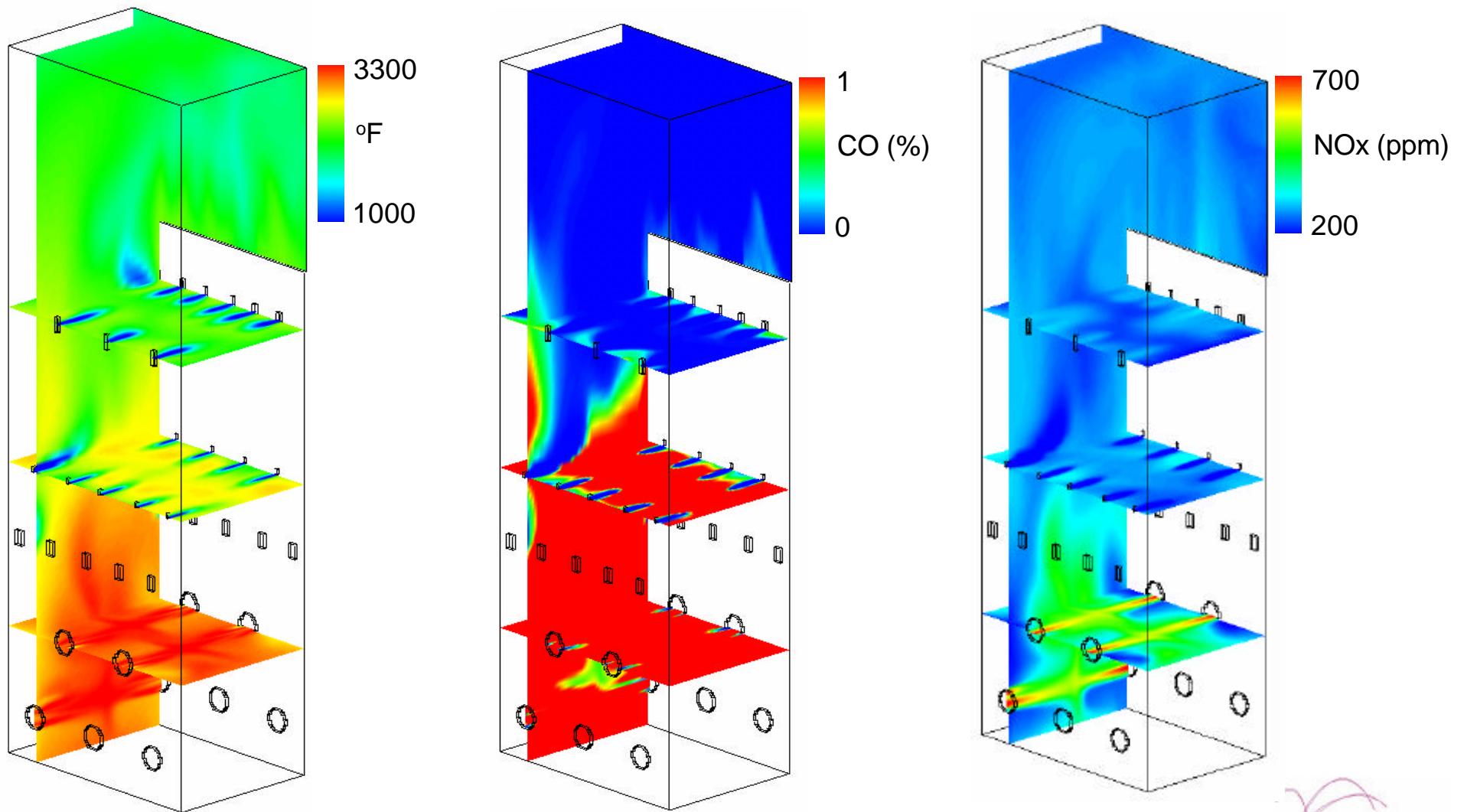
Sioux Cyclone Barrel Modeling

- Barrel model developed through CNCIG team
- Predictions verified against measurements
- Very fuel rich regions near walls, except near secondary air duct
- Flow predicted to be very segregated



Sioux Unit 1 OFA Modeling

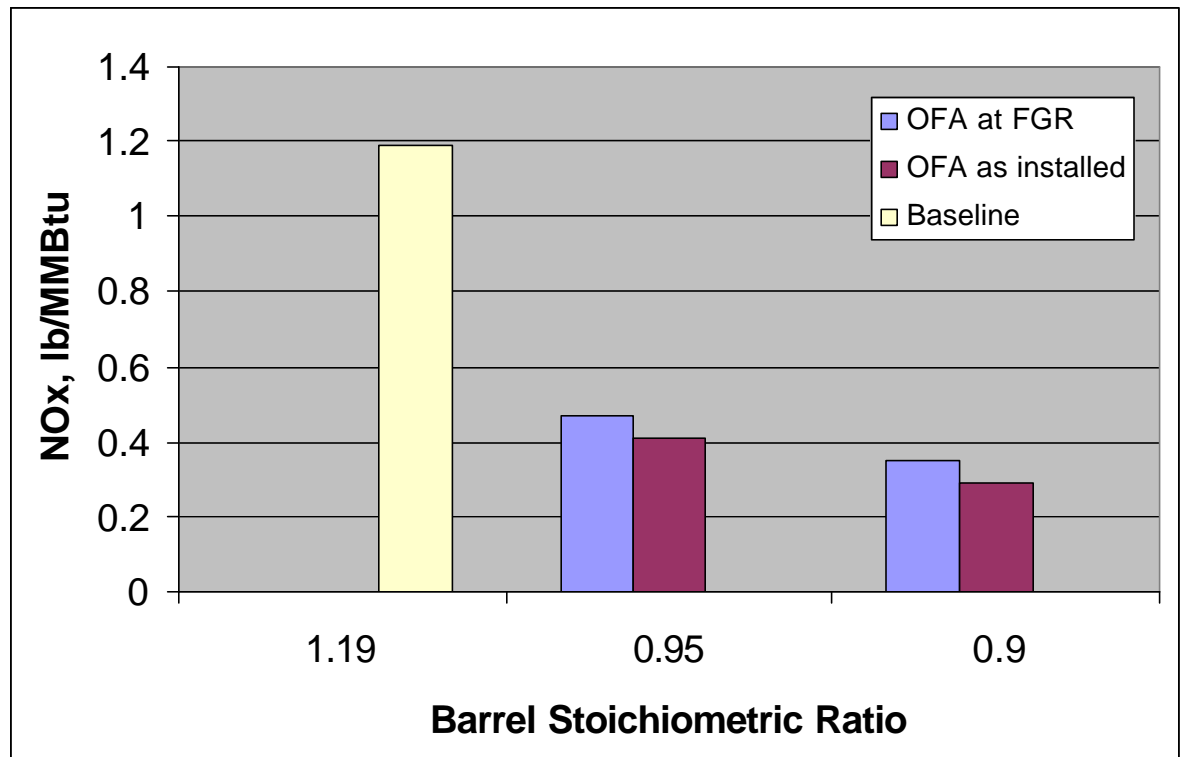
“As Built” OFA



Predicted NOx Emissions

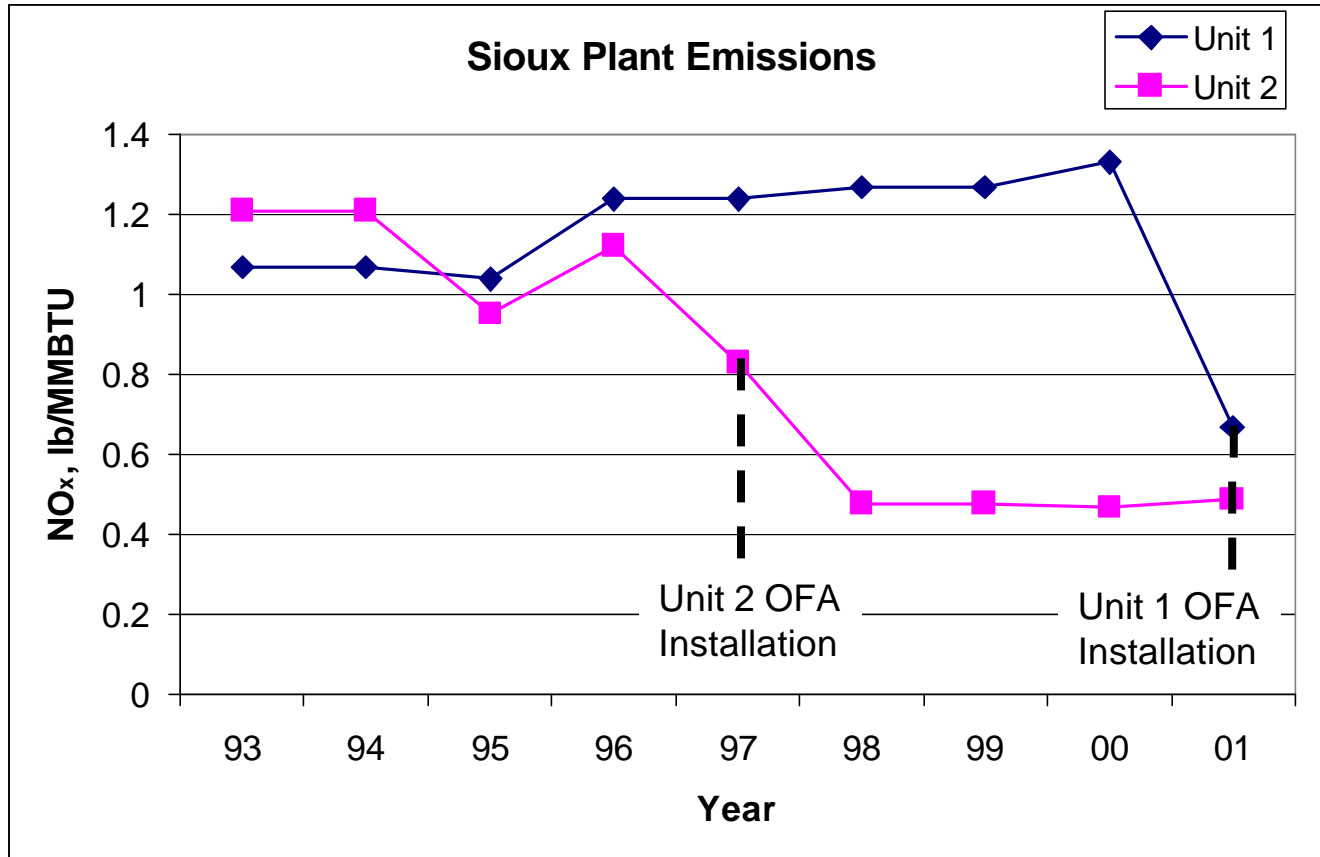
Sioux Unit 1 OFA

- At least 65% NOx reduction predicted at SR=0.95
- Small predicted increase in NOx reduction by raising OFA elevation
- NOx emissions of 0.30 lb/MMBtu predicted for SR=0.90
- Less than 100 ppm increase in predicted furnace exit CO



Sioux Plant NOx Emissions

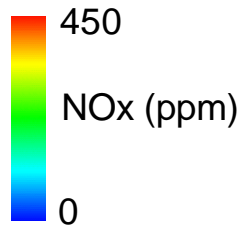
Annual Averages



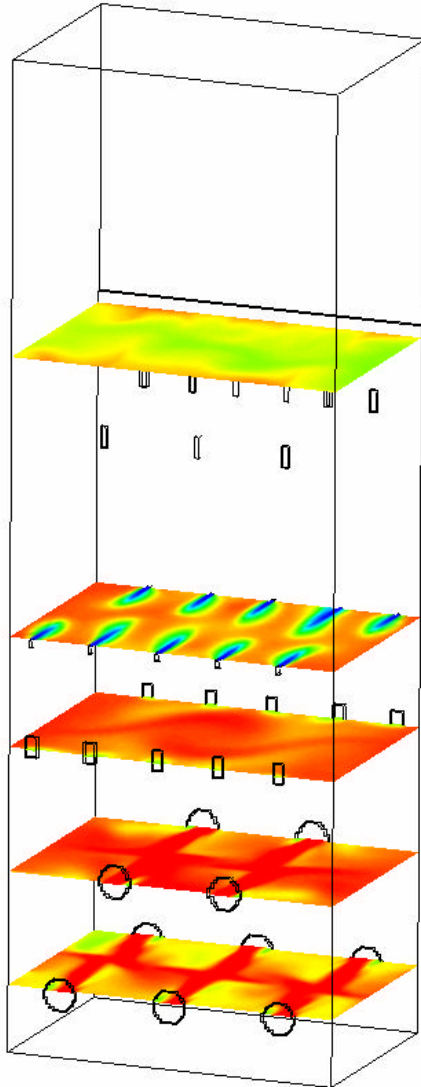
Sioux plant NO_x emissions following OFA installation have confirmed model predictions

Sioux Unit 1 RRI Modeling

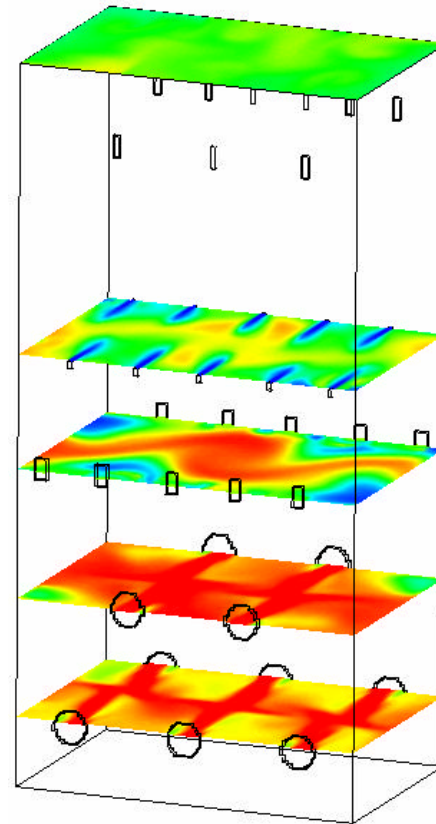
NOx Distribution



Baseline



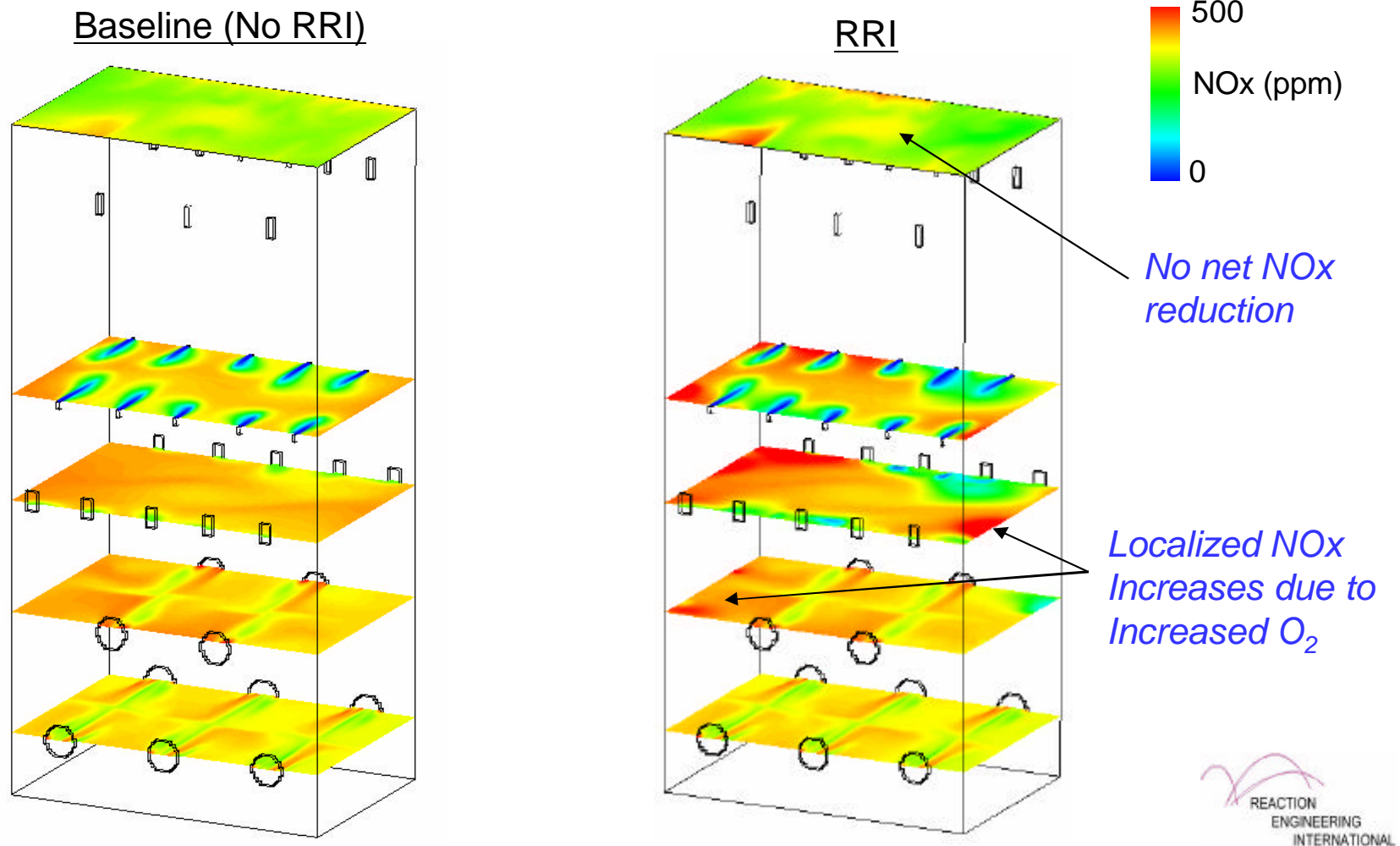
RRI



Predicted Impact of SR on RRI

Sioux Unit 1

Lower Furnace SR = 0.99



CFD Modeling Summary

Sioux Unit 1

- 20 RRI ports installed
 - » 6 on each side wall
 - » 4 each on front and rear walls
- 30-35% NO_x reduction with RRI (SR=0.95)
 - » NSR = 2.8 (based on 0.41 lb/MMBtu)
 - » No ammonia slip
 - » 0.28 lb/MMBtu from baseline of 0.41 lb/MMBtu
- Negligible NO_x reduction for near stoichiometric lower furnace (SR=0.99) utilizing design injection

Sioux Unit 1 RRI Demo

Typical Reagent
Injector with
Reagent and Air
Supplies



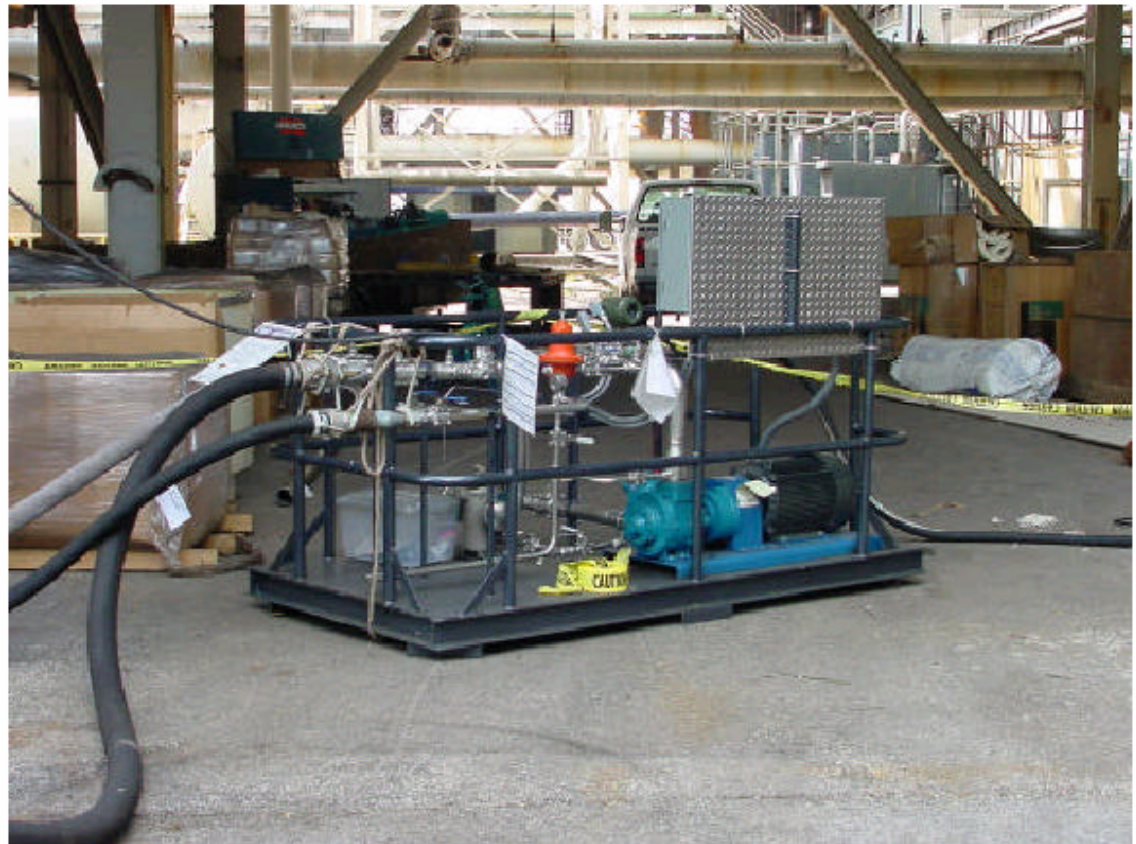
Sioux Unit 1 RRI Demo

Temporary Reagent
Storage Tank with
Delivery Truck



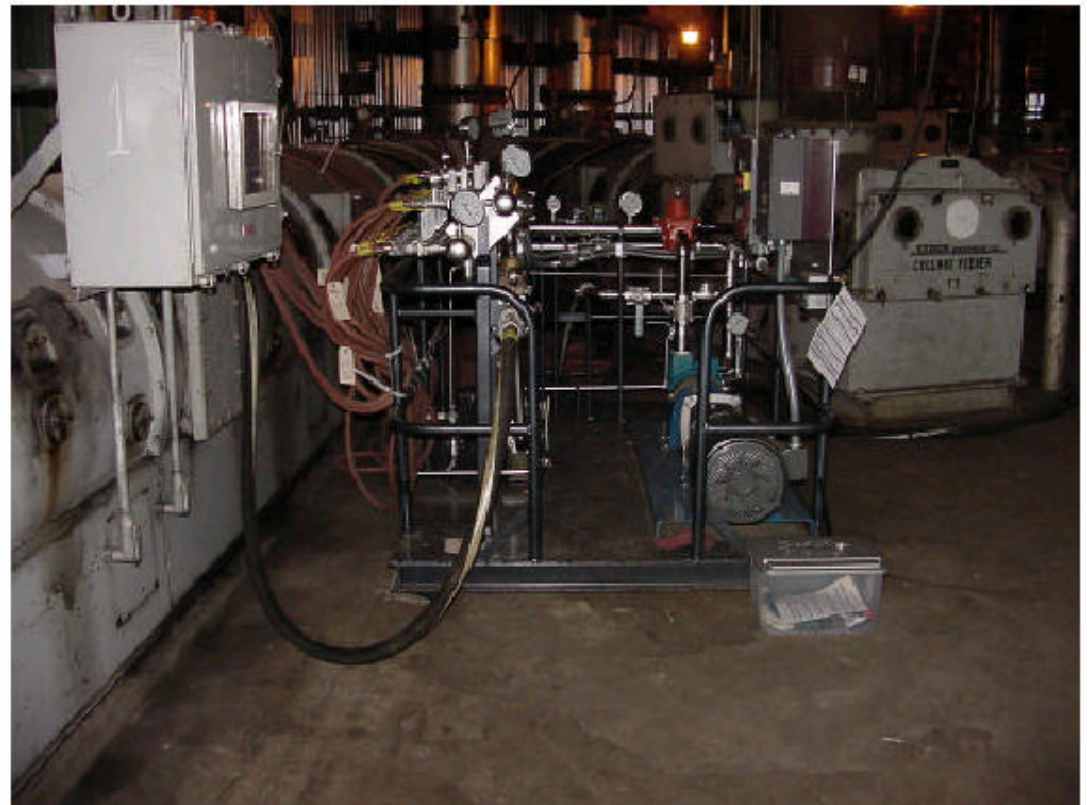
Sioux Unit 1 RRI Demo

Reagent Transfer Pump Skid



Sioux Unit 1 RRI Demo

Injection Pump Skid,
Each Supplying 10
Injectors



Sioux Unit 1 RRI Demo

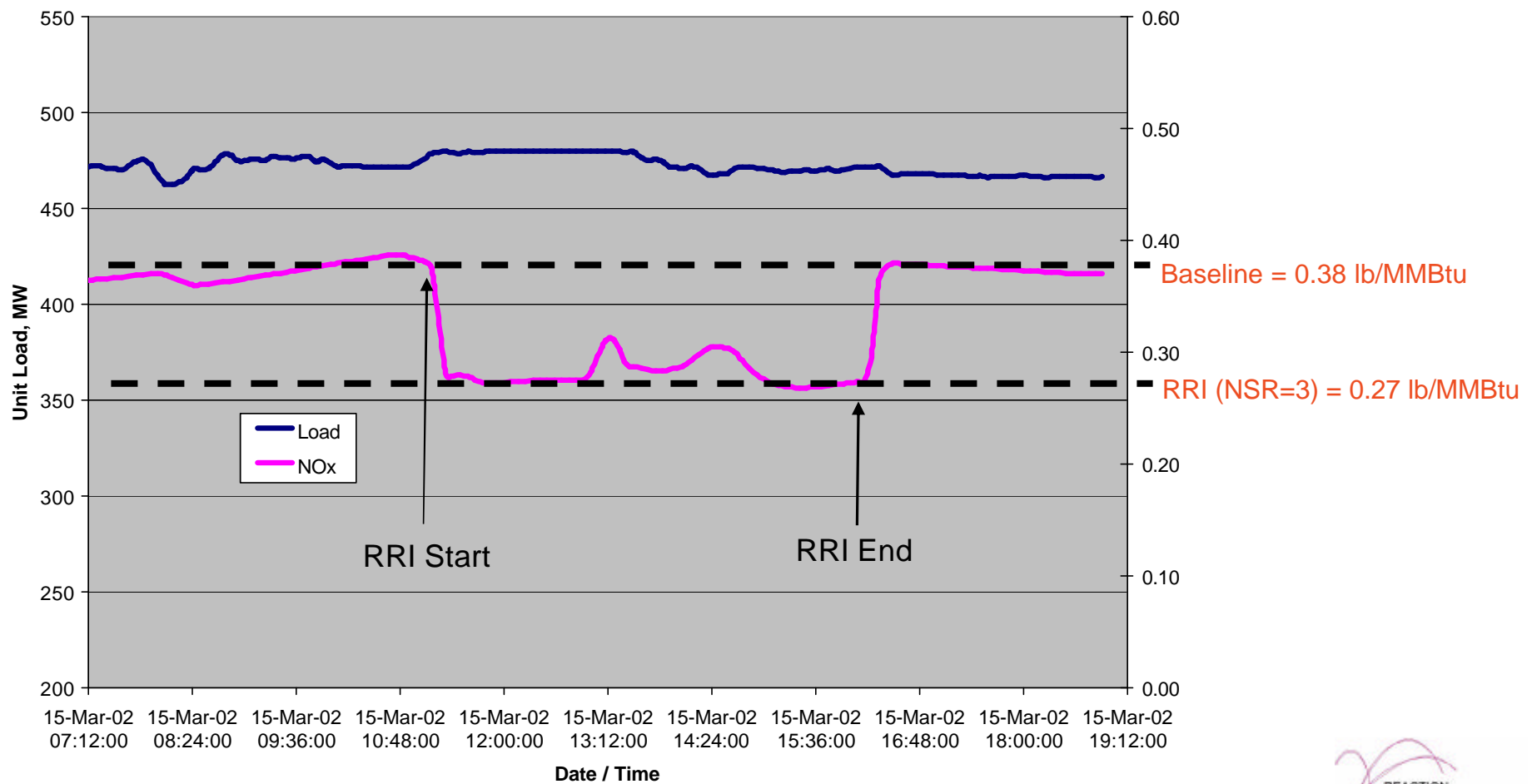
Damaged Injection
Nozzle



Sioux 1 RRI Testing

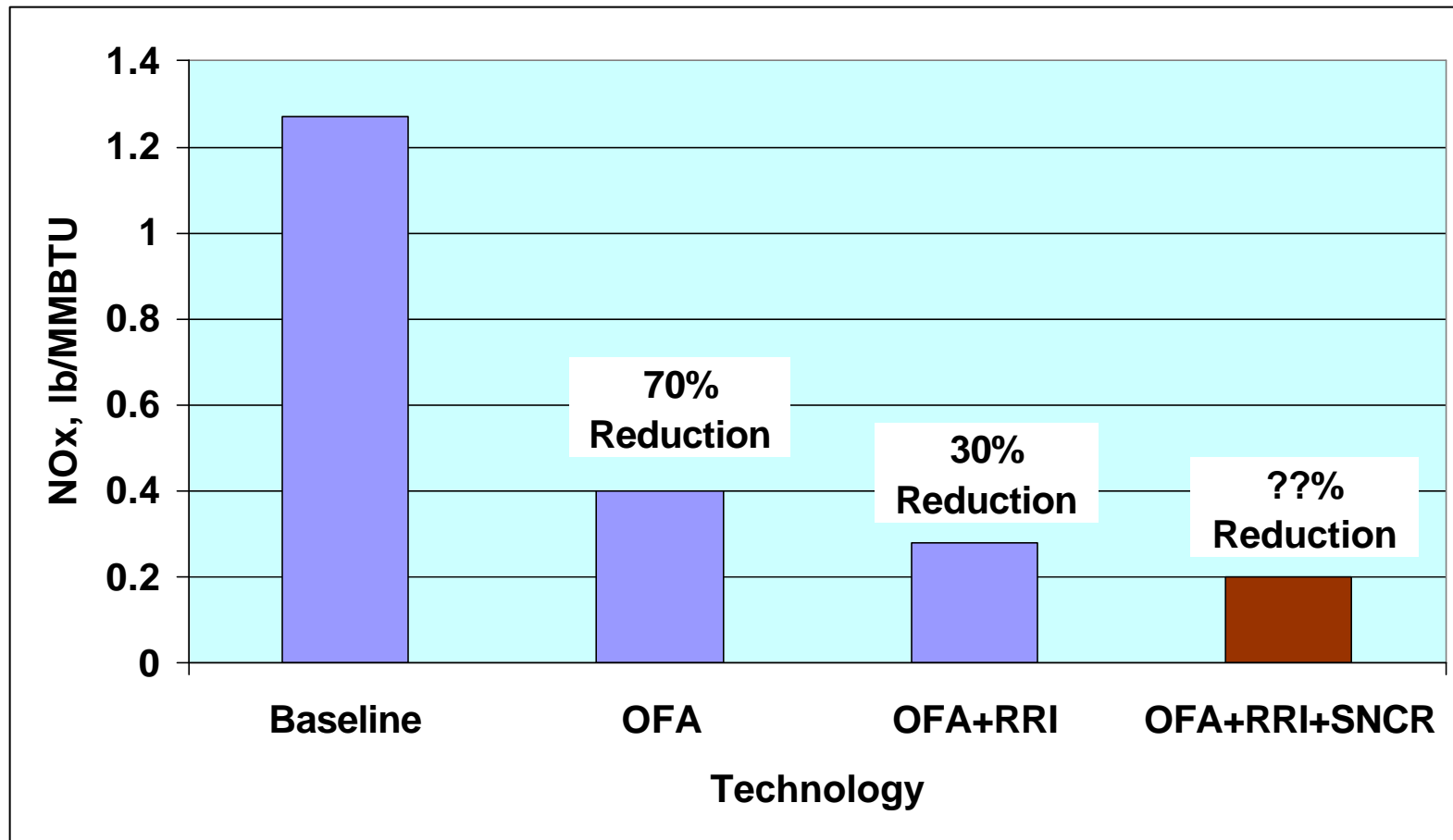
Typical Results

SIOUX UNIT 1 NO_x EMISSIONS



Demonstrated NOx Reductions

Sioux Unit 1



Summary

- Two completed RRI demos show that RRI is capable of achieving 30% NO_x reduction (beyond reductions with OFA) in staged cyclone fired boilers
- NH₃ sampling showed <1 ppm NH₃ slip during RRI testing in both demo units
- CFD model predictions have been consistent with field test results and are critical part of the RRI design
- Operating costs for RRI are expected to be 2-3 times that of SNCR due to increased reagent usage

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